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Dear Mr Boakye,

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Kind Regards Karen Douglas

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Alexander Boakye
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By fax: 571 273 830

Dear Mr Boakye,

Re: Application No 10/808,024

I understand that you contacted Mr Tarek Fahmi yesterday regarding this application and advised that a fee for additional claims is still required.

Please find attached the filing acknowledgement which shows the details of our payment of \$220 on 29 October 2008 for two independent claims.

Regarding your comment that the abstract required shortening, please note that we wish to maintain the first paragraph of the abstract and delete the second paragraph. Thus, the abstract will read as follows:

The invention provides a method for allocating upstream bandwidth of a shared upstream channel of an optical network, the optical network interconnecting an apparatus with at least a first network unit and a second network unit, the method includes the stages of: (i) receiving requests for transmitting information towards the apparatus; and (ii) issuing data grants in response to at least the requests; wherein at least one data grant authorizes a first network unit to transmit data at a first bit-rate during at least one time-slot and at least one other data grant authorizes a second network unit to transmit data at a second bit-rate during at least one other time-slot, whereas the second bit-rate differs from the first bit-rate.

If you require anything further from us, please contact our office based in the United States on 703-838-5568.

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Yours sincerely,

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